

SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING
August 25, 2015
116 No. Euclid, Pierre, SD
Minutes

Present:

Commissioners:	Terry Hand, SDWC Clinton Vanneman, SDWC Leo Warrington, SDWC Darrell Davis, SDWC
Ex-Officio:	Lucas Lentsch, Secretary SDDA
Staff:	Reid Christopherson, SDWC Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Guests:	Caren Assman, SDWI Bruce Lindholm, Program Manager Railroad Division, SD-DOT

Call to Order:
Commissioner Hand called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Approval of Agenda:
Additions to agenda: Additional Travel for Approval
Guest Bruce Lindholm, SD-DOT
Commissioner Davis moved to approve agenda with additions, seconded by Commissioner Warrington. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes:
Commissioner Warrington moved to approve June 9, 2015 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Vanneman. Motion approved.

I. Financial Reports

A. Review – Fiscal Year 2015 Close-Out

Discussion took place.

B. June and July 2015 Financials

Theobald presented June 2015 and July 2015 financials. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Vanneman moved to approve the June 2015 and July 2015 financials, seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion approved

C. Fiscal Year 2016 Receipts, Expenditures and Cash Flow

Discussion took place.

D. Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Updates/Funding Requests

Discussion took place.

E. Multi-Year Payment Projects

Discussion took place for the following potential early payment projects:

- National Association of Wheat Growers
- State Fair 4-H Building
- Rail Project
- SDSU Greenhouse

Note: Bruce Lindholm, SD-DOT arrived at 9:56 a.m.

Note: Bruce Lindholm, SD-DOT departed at 10:53 a.m.

II. Production Forecast

A. 2015 Production Estimates

Discussion took place.

III. SD Department of Agriculture Discussion

A. Updates

Secretary Lentsch reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Department of Agriculture Staff Changes
- Habitat Pays
- Nordby Hall
- Agriculture Production Fund

Note: Secretary Lentsch departed at 12:45 p.m.

IV. SDSU Discussion

A. Updates

Christopherson reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Green House, Seed House, Head House
- DNA Sequencer
- Precision Ag Degree
- Leon Wrage – SD Hall of Fame Inductee

V. Staff Reports

A. Assman – South Dakota Wheat, Inc.

Assman reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Winter Wheat Insurance – Statewide Coverage
- Wheat Yield Contest
- Ag Horizons

B. Christopherson:

Christopherson reported on the following activities with discussions taking place:

- Activity Update
- Website Upgrades
- SDWC Policy Book Review
- Variety Survey
- Annual Report
- CCC Check-Off
- Draper Wheat Meeting
- Commissioner Hand Appointment Expires 2015

VI. Market Development

A. Rails to the Future – TIGER Grant

Lindholm reported on status of the following with discussions taking place:

- MRC Rail Line reconstruction project west of Chamberlain, SD
- Statewide Rail Lines
- Other Potential Tiger Grant projects

B. U.S. Wheat Associates

Christopherson reported on the Region 1 Officer Rotation (MN, MT, ND, SD, WY) for USW. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Vanneman reported on activities with U.S. Wheat Summer meeting. Discussion took place.

C. National Association of Wheat Growers

Assman reported on current activities with NAWG. Discussion took place.

D. Northern Crops Institute

Christopherson reported on current activities with NCI. Discussion took place.

VII. Administrative Matters

A. Upcoming Events

Discussion took place.

B. Travel Approval

- Midwest Specialty Grains, September 9-11, 2015, Minneapolis, MN – Commissioner Warrington
- NCI Grain Procurement Course, September 14-23, 2015, Fargo, ND – Christopherson
- NCI Grain Marketing Banquet, September 17, 2015, Fargo, ND – Commissioner Davis
- U.S. Wheat Fall Meeting, November 2-6, 2015, Lake Tahoe, NV – Chairman Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Warrington, Commissioner Davis, Christopherson
- NCI Fall Meeting, November 20-21, 2015, Minneapolis, MN – Chairman Edinger, Christopherson
- U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative, December 6-8, 2015, St Louis, MO – Laird Larson, Christopherson
- Wheat Foods Council, October 28-29, Denver, CO - Christopherson

Commissioner Davis moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Vanneman. Motion approved.

Other travel for future consideration:

- U.S. Wheat Winter Meeting, February 3-6, 2016, Washington D.C. - Chairman Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Warrington, Commissioner Davis, Christopherson
- Commodity Classic, March 3-5, 2016, New Orleans, LA - Chairman Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Vanneman, Commissioner Warrington, Commissioner Davis, Christopherson

C. Commission Meeting Date

November 17, 2015, 9:30 a.m., Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, SD

Commissioner Davis moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:23 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Clinton Vanneman, Commissioner

Date

Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director

Date

For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.